ULSTER UNIVERSITY

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS FORUM **CPF/20/06**

30 September 2020 **Agenda Item: 8**

CONTINUOUS ASSURANCE OF QUALITY ENHANCEMENT (CAQE)

To receive a report on Continuous Assurance of Quality Enhancement (CAQE).

**ACTION**

For information.

**CONTINUOUS ASSURANCE OF QUALITY ENHANCEMENT (COLLABORATIVE PROVISION) 2019/20**

At its meeting on 4 June 2020 the University’s Academic Standards and Quality Enhancement Committee (ASQEC) approved the recommendation that the pilot Continuous Assurance of Quality Enhancement process for collaborative activity be adopted in full.

This paper details the arrangements for the 2019/20 review of collaborative activity.

**Indictive Timetable**

1 October 2020: Quality Enhancement (QE) generates data sets

9 October 2020: Data sets sent to Faculties

12 October-28 October: Associate Dean (Education) and Faculty Partnership Manager (FPM) analyses data sets to identify programmes requiring Action Plans

28-30 October 2020: Faculty notifies QE of programmes requiring Action Plans

W/C 2 November 2020: College notified of programmes requiring Action Plans (1 letter per College to HE Co-ordinator)

20 November 2020: Completed Action Plans returned to QE

23 November-11 December: Faculty reviews Action Plan

January 2021: Meetings with Senior Management (if required)

March 2021: Report to ASQEC

**University Benchmarks**

Cohort size <10

Attrition: Access Programmes 20%

Foundation degrees 10%

Success 2: Access Programmes 70% progression

Foundation degrees (Year 1) 75% progression

Foundation degrees (Year 2) 80%progression

The Faculty will also take into account the following:

* External Examiner reports
* FPM reports
* PSRB reports
* CA3s
* Re-validation outcomes
* NSS outcomes

**Outcomes from Action Plans**

1. Continue with Action Plan with monitoring by FPM;
2. Revise and resubmit Action Plan;
3. Supportive Measures meeting convened.

**Potential Outcomes from Supportive Measures Meeting**

1. Continue on 5-year re-validation cycle;
2. Expedite re-validation;
3. Suspend intake.

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